

## **Marine Region Program Descriptions and Key Measurable (Planned) Objectives**

### **Program: Fisheries Management: State Managed Species**

The Fisheries Management: State Managed Species program focuses on the ongoing data analysis, data collection, report preparation, and management recommendation processes for marine finfish and invertebrate species managed solely by the State of California. This program's scope includes commercial fishing, recreational fishing, and marine hatchery/aquaculture operations. Projects within the program focus on various species groups and/or habitats primarily found within State waters. This includes Bay and estuarine habitats, invertebrate species, and finfish species. The program also includes a function to review and analyze existing fisheries for potential management changes.

### **Project: State Fisheries Evaluation**

The State Fisheries Evaluation (SFE) project includes staff directed towards evaluating existing fisheries managed solely by the State of California. The project will focus primarily on the California halibut fishery and implementation of the bottom trawl permit program along with prioritizing other state managed fisheries for future review.

**Budgeted Resources Dedicated to the Project:** This project includes six positions and a Personal Services budget of \$442,521.

**Key Measurable (Planned) Objectives for FY 2006-07:** In FY 2006-07 the SFE project will focus on implementation of the bottom trawl permit program and assessment of impacts of trawling that presently occurs within State waters.

- Collect fishery-dependent and fishery-independent data associated with state recreational and commercial fisheries, including halibut
- Develop management recommendations for trawl fisheries
- Develop the bottom trawl permit program
- Staff will participate in training for conducting extracts and analyzing commercial and recreational fisheries data and scientific and technical writing.

**Key Measurable (Planned) Objectives for FY 2007-08:** In FY 2007-08 the project will continue implementation of the bottom trawl permit program and increase its focus on evaluation of other existing state managed fisheries.

- Using priorities provided by the State Finfish Management project, begin evaluation of the first priority species
- Fully implement the bottom trawl permit program
- Prepare regulatory documents and support the regulatory process for management changes proposed for the trawl fisheries